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Town of Lexington
Executive Session,
State of the Town Address, and
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

March 3, 2014

Town Council held an Executive Session at 5:30 p.m. followed by a Regular Council meeting in the Council Chambers on March 3, 2014. The meetings were attended by: Mayor Steve MacDougall, Mayor Pro-Tem Hazel Livingston and Councilmembers Kathy Maness, Ted Stambolitis and Todd Shevchik.

Staff members present were: Town Administrator Britt Poole, Municipal Attorney Brad Cunningham, Police Chief Terrence Green, Utilities and Engineering Director Allen Lutz, Finance Director Kathy Roberts, Director of Parks, Streets and Sanitation Dan Walker, Planning, Building and Technology Director John Hanson, Economic Development Catalyst Johnny Jeffcoat, Events and Media Coordinator Jennifer Dowden, Network Administrator Darrell Pritchard, Assistant Municipal Clerk Karen Hanner, and Municipal Clerk Becky Hildebrand.

There were approximately twenty (20) citizens present for the Council meeting and three members from the news media.

INVOCATION, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND CALL TO ORDER: Mayor MacDougall welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced the Council Members. Pastor Ken Jumper, The Harvest Church, gave the invocation. Mayor Pro-Tem Livingston led in the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor MacDougall called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

STATE OF THE TOWN ADDRESS

Mayor MacDougall delivered his first State of the Town Address. (Complete copy attached.) He gave a review of the Town's progress made on last year's projects and addressed issues that he and Council would focus on this year and beyond.

2013 Review: (1) Mayor MacDougall recognized Chief Green and several Police Officers who had received awards during the year. (2) He also commended the Police Department for their assistance in a three-year investigation (Operation Angel Bane) which resulted in 27 members of the Hells Angels being arrested. (3) The Town increased direct Police patrols in 2013 focusing on theft in commercial areas and apartment complexes which resulted in a 58 percent decrease in theft from vehicles and a 37 percent decrease in stolen vehicles. (4) The Police Department hosted another successful Fall-Fest with the proceeds going to Adopt-A-Cop Program and the Chris Myers Children's'

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Place. (5) The Phase I Traffic Improvement Plan is almost complete, a project that took eight years of working with Federal and State governments including SCDOT. Over \$14M were dedicated to this project. (6) The Town also launched the Road Resurfacing Project which focused on repairs and/or paving of roads that had received a failing grade. (7) The Town continues a commitment to smart infrastructure with the opening of a new Regional Pump Station located on Sunset Boulevard. The facility can process 25 million gallons a day which helped to eliminate smaller treatment facilities and septic tanks. (8) The Town continues to have many businesses choose Lexington as their home. The Town added 18 commercial annexations, 77 acres, including Boral Bricks and Aldi. The annexations are worth \$9M in taxable value to the Town. The Town also processed 3,159 business licenses. (9) A new business park opened with the opening of Avtec, Inc., a manufacturing communications technology company. They have invested more than \$6M with a payroll in excess of \$1M. The park will also expand with the development of other high tech companies which will create a full-fledged high technology industry corridor within the Town borders, which is rare for a municipality. (10) The Finance Department recently received, for the 15th consecutive year, the Governmental Finance Officers Association Comprehensive Annual Finance Report Award and for the 4th straight year, the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award. The Finance Staff's dedication keeps the Town rock solid and financially sound. (11) The Town citizens support led to the development of the Town's first dog park, Lexington Paw Park which opened in November. Many volunteers and sponsors helped make the park possible. This park is one of many Vision Plan Projects which was adopted in 2012. (12) The Lexington Square Park continues to be a great place for special events and a strong partnership with Lexington County, Lexington Beautification Foundation, Lexington Bar Association and the Dennis Corporation. (13) The Town revamped the Christmas celebration by hosting the Snowball Festival and partnering with the Lexington County Recreation and Aging Commission. The weekend included a movie, concert, carnival, tree lighting in Lexington Square, 5K race, and the annual Christmas parade on Main St. (14) The Town awarded a second round of grants as part of the Commercial Façade Improvement Grant Program. Six recipients received \$5,000 each to improve the appearance of Main Street. The program has stimulated private investment downtown and so far has resulted in \$589,000 return on investment. Next year, applications will be accepted from North Lake Drive at Columbia Avenue and South Lake Drive at Railroad Avenue to help promote the appearance of the community.

2014 Focus: Mayor MacDougall stated that he and the Councilmembers will continue to develop the Town's Vision Plan and find measures to relieve traffic congestion. Several projects started in the last few months: (1) I-20/378 Interchange Beautification Project which will be a "front porch" to Lexington, which was made possible by a grant from the SCDOT Gateway Beautification grant in the amount of \$620,000. (2) Project Icehouse is the most anticipated project which includes the former Shirey's on Main and the Palmetto Propane

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buildings at 113 South Church Street and Main Street. The property will be transformed into a retail and public green space plaza. The project will include a 500 seat amphitheater which will be used for Town events, including the Town's Farmers Market. (3) As the Phase I Traffic plan gets completed, attention will turn to the Adaptive Computerized Signalization System. The system is a high tech traffic management system which will link all traffic lights and manage traffic in real time. The Town received partial funding from the Central Midlands Council of Government (COATS). Mayor MacDougall thanked John Hardee and Johnny Jeffcoat for their diligence in helping the Town secure funding. Lexington will be the first municipality in the State with the innovative computer technology. (4) The Town will take steps to upgrade the Town's Utility Infrastructure System. The Town is slated to begin a new sewer project, at a cost of \$6M, consisting of a metering and testing station on Methodist Park Road. With this project the Town will begin Phase I of Parallel Transportation Lines to the Joint Wastewater Treatment Plant. (5) The 14 Mile Creek Trail is currently under construction, located off North Lake Drive and Old Cherokee Road. The 3,500 foot trail is scheduled to open late spring. (6) The Town and the Lexington County Recreation Commission will again co-host the 4th Annual Flashlight Easter Egg Hunt and Carnival on April 4th. This is one of many events and activities that the Town sponsors to encourage community involvement. (7) The Town also hosts the Wine Walk on Main, the Historic Downtown Cell Phone Walking Tour and helps sponsor the Kids Day of Lexington. (8) The Town continues to improve communication efforts through the website, social media pages of Facebook, Twitter and the Town's community access station on Time Warner Cable Channel 2. (9) The Town is fortunate to host a half-hour radio program, "Link into Lexington" each Monday at noon on 107.9 WLXM.

Mayor MacDougall thanked the Councilmembers and Staff for making contributions to all the achievements discussed tonight and for helping to make Lexington a place where people want to live, work and learn. He encouraged everyone to get out and vote tomorrow at the Town's Special Election and reminded everyone that there will be a second Special Election on April 8th. He added that this is a pivotal time for the future of the Town and every citizen's voice should be heard.

Mayor MacDougall called for a brief recess at 6:55 p.m. The Regular Council meeting reconvened at 7:06 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION REPORT

Mayor MacDougall reported that the *Executive Session* was called to order at 5:35 p.m. after a motion was made by Councilmember Maness and seconded by Councilmember Stambolitis to go into *Executive Session*. The motion was unanimously carried by all those present. (Councilmember Shevchik was absent for the vote.) Council adjourned from *Executive Session* at 6:15 p.m. after a motion was made by Councilmember Maness and seconded by Councilmember Shevchik. The motion was unanimously

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carried. Mayor MacDougall reported that Council met in *Executive Session* to discuss: one legal update regarding Golden Hills condemnation; two routine personnel matters regarding a Department Head review and Boards and Commissions appointments; and two contractual issues related to the sale of Town property and issues related to a procurement contract for services. No vote was taken. A motion was made by Councilmember Maness and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Livingston to ratify Mayor MacDougall's *Executive Session* report. The motion was unanimously carried.

DELETIONS: None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by Councilmember Maness and seconded by Councilmember Stambolitis to approve the Minutes as submitted for the February 18, 2014 Council Work Session. The motion was unanimously carried.

PRESENTATIONS

1. **Meals on Wheels Proclamation – Councilmember Todd Shevchik:** Councilmember Shevchik read a Proclamation declaring March for Meals Month. The Meals on Wheels Program is handling through the Lexington County Recreation and Aging Commission and has served Lexington for 34 years and provides service to 1,200 senior citizens. Ms. Jennifer Edwards, Director of Lexington County Recreation and Aging Commission and Ms. Lynda Christison, Director of the Lexington County Aging Department accepted the proclamation.
2. **Mayors Day of Recognition Proclamation – Mayor Steve MacDougall:** Mayor MacDougall read a Proclamation declaring April 1, 2014 as Mayors Day of Recognition for National Service. He encouraged residents to find ways to give back to their community through volunteerism.

TRAFFIC UPDATE

Mayor Pro-Tem Livingston gave the traffic update as follows: (1) The Phase I Traffic Plan is over 75% complete. The mast arms are in and are being installed. The next step is installation of magnetic loops. She stated that trees would be added back to the area in April. (2) Contractors are working on the I-20/Highway 378 Beautification Project. The footer has been poured for the sign and the water feature. The stone will be added to the sign in the next few weeks. (3) The Town submitted five key projects to the Pennies for Progress program. The commission will soon make decisions on the projects. Citizens were asked to call 359-1027 if anyone had any traffic issues. The next Traffic Committee meeting will be held Tuesday, March 18, 2014 at 8:00 a.m. in the third floor conference room.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Mayor MacDougall called the Public Hearing to order and requested that those wishing to speak limit their comments to five minutes.

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1. Final Reading of an Ordinance Allowing Donation of Houses on South Church Street. No comments.
2. Final Reading of an Ordinance Amending the Contract of Chief of Police. No comments.
3. Final Reading of an Ordinance Annexing 121 Pilgrim Point Drive, Lexington County Tax Map #3420-01-048. No comments.
4. Final Reading of an Ordinance Annexing 515 Northwood Road, Lexington Tax Map #4300-04-027.

(1) **Mr. Kevin Connelly**, Connelly Builders, gave an overview of the proposed Hampton Grove 48 unit senior living center. He included pictures of the amenities of the project to be built on 7.51 acres at 515 Northwood Road.

(2) **Mr. Roger Caldwell**, 221 Cherokee Trail, stated that he had several questions about the development of the 48 unit complex. He added that his property backs up to the Caughman property. He stated that he only learned on Saturday that the item was to be voted on tonight. He asked for clarification of the process for annexation and rezoning. Mr. Poole stated that the Town has two readings and the zoning is part of the annexation with tonight's reading. He added that the property is currently in the county, zoned RL8 (Residential) and it will be zoned to allow for the development, recommended at HDR (High Density Residential). Mr. Poole stated that this is the normal process. Mr. Caldwell confirmed that a property can be zoned at the same time a property is annexed. Mr. Connelly showed the site plan for the property to show the entire 26.6 acres which includes the proposed complex site of 6 acres. He added that the Caughman family will retain the property that will be used for commercial. Mr. Poole stated that the Planning Commission will also give approval to the site plan once it is submitted and small tweaks can be made but not any major changes unless it goes back to the Planning Commission for approval. Mr. Caldwell stated that a three story complex on the hill would look like the Administration building behind his house. He was concerned for all the neighbors. Mr. Caldwell had additional questions and was asked by Mayor MacDougall to see Mr. John Hanson outside to get his number so he could call him for further explanations.

(3) **Ms. Ann Decell**, 200 Tanglewood Drive, asked if the project would continue if it was not annexed. Mayor MacDougall stated that the project would not go on if not annexed. He added that all the Town requirements would have to be met, including water runoff. He referred her to Mr. Hanson, who was outside talking to Mr. Caldwell, if she had additional questions. Ms. Decell stated that she did not live next to it, but her friends lived near it.

5. Final Reading of an Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to restrict the location items defined in the Town's Drug Paraphernalia Ordinance can be sold. No comments.

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6. Final Reading Approval of Zoning changes to 103 and 111 West Main Street and 111 and 113 South Church Street (the Icehouse Project area). No comments.

There being no further comments, Mayor MacDougall declared the Public Hearings closed.

OLD BUSINESS ITEMS

1. A motion was made by Councilmember Maness and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Livingston for **Final Reading Approval of an Ordinance Allowing Donation of Houses on South Church Street**. The motion was unanimously carried. (Ordinance attached.)
2. A motion was “whole heartedly” made by Councilmember Stambolitis and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Livingston to approve **Final Reading of an Ordinance Amending the Contract of the Chief of Police**. (Ordinance attached.) Councilmember Shevchik stated he and Council appreciate the work that Chief Green does with the Police Department and the Town is fortunate to have him. Mayor Pro-Tem Livingston stated that in her 16 years on Council she had worked with three Chiefs and he is the best and he does a great job and is always active in the community. Councilmember Stambolitis stated that it is an honor and a pleasure to work with such a great man who puts the Lord first. He added that Chief Green is a role model for the kids and the adults and he looks forward to working with him for many years. Councilmember Maness stated she appreciated everything that Chief Green does for the Town. She added that he also has a wonderful Staff. Mayor MacDougall stated that he receives compliments about Chief Green everywhere he goes. He added that following a conference downtown where Chief Green spoke, Mayors from all over the State came up to him to let him know how lucky he was to have Chief Green. The motion was unanimously carried.
3. A motion was made by Councilmember Shevchik and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Livingston to approve **Final Reading of an Ordinance Annexing 121 Pilgrim Point Drive, Lexington County Tax Map #3420-01-048**. (Ordinance attached.) The motion was unanimously carried.
4. A motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Livingston and seconded by Councilmember Stambolitis to approve **Final Reading of an Ordinance Annexing 515 Northwood Road, Lexington County Tax Map #4300-04-027**. (Ordinance attached.) Councilmember Shevchik confirmed that the Caughman Estate asked for the annexation, not Mr. Connelly. Mr. Poole explained that only the landowner can apply for annexation. The motion was unanimously carried.
5. A motion was made by Councilmember Maness and seconded by Councilmember Stambolitis to approve **Final Reading of an Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to Restrict the Location Items Defined in the Town’s**

Drug Paraphernalia Ordinance Can be Sold. (Ordinance attached.) The motion was unanimously carried.

6. A motion was made by Councilmember Stambolitis and seconded by Councilmember Maness to approve **Final Reading of Zoning Changes to 203 and 111 West Main Street and 111 and 113 South Church Street** (the Icehouse Project). (Ordinance attached.) The motion was unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **First Reading Approval of an Ordinance Annexing 359 Porsche Drive, Lexington County Tax Map #5498-05-029:** Monkey Wrench, LLC owns .59 acres located at 359 Porsche Drive and has petitioned for annexation. A small auto repair shop is located on the property. Properties in Town near this property are zoned Industrial (IND) and Porsche Drive is classified as a Local Road. The Planning Commission reviewed this annexation during their February meeting and recommended the same zoning and road classification for this property.

A motion was made by Councilmember Shevchik and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Livingston to approve First Reading as stated. The motion was unanimously carried.

2. **First Reading Approval of an Annexation of 4884 Sunset Boulevard, Lexington County Tax Map #3500-03-096:** Larry G. and Theresa Jo Sligh own 2 acres located at 4884 Sunset Boulevard and have petitioned for annexation. A small commercial center is located on the property. Properties in Town near this property are zoned General Commercial (GC) and Sunset Boulevard is classified as an Arterial Road. The Planning Commission reviewed this annexation during their February meeting and recommended the same zoning and road classification for this property.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Livingston and seconded by Councilmember Maness to approve First Reading as stated. Councilmember Stambolitis asked what business was currently located on the property. Mr. Poole responded that a pawn shop, thrift store, Alibaba's, and a sign company was located on the property. Councilmember Stambolitis asked if Alibaba's would come under the Town's new Paraphernalia Ordinance. Mr. Poole stated that it would. The motion was unanimously carried.

3. **First Reading Approval of an Annexation at 4886 Sunset Boulevard, Lexington Tax Map #3500-03-130:** Sunset Commercial Development, Inc. owns 1.83 acres located at 4886 Sunset Boulevard and petitioned for annexation. A small commercial center is located on the property. Properties in Town near this property are zoned General Commercial (GC) and Sunset Boulevard is classified as an Arterial Road. The Planning Commission reviewed this annexation during

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their February meeting and recommended the same zoning and road classification for this property.

A motion was made by Councilmember Maness and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Livingston to approve First Reading as stated. Mayor Pro-Tem Livingston confirmed that this property includes the same businesses as stated in item #2 but they are on two parcels, owned by the same person. The motion was unanimously carried.

4. **SC Adoption Coalition for Education and Support:** The SC Adoption Coalition for Education and Support (ACES) and the SC Bar Young Lawyers Division annually host the Families Forever Fair and are looking to bring the event back to Lexington 2014. The free event focuses on adoption consultations, awareness, and foster care. The organization asked for a fee waiver for the Town's Conference Center and Eli Mack, Sr. Room for Saturday, March 8, 2014. The event was also held at the Town's location in 2013. The following is the value for the SC Adoption Coalition for Education and Support (ACES) event: (Copy of request letter attached.)

Conference Room: \$600 (in town) or \$1,000 (out of town)

Eli Mack, Sr. Room: \$150 (in town) or \$200 (out of town)

Deposits for the venues would still be required and have already been paid by the SC Bar Association.

A motion was made by Councilmember Stambolitis and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Livingston to approve a fee waiver for the SC Adoption Coalition for Education and Support as stated. Mayor Pro-Tem Livingston stated that she supported the SC Adoption group. She added that she has a grandson that is adopted and a friend of hers also has an adopted child which makes this very dear to her heart. The motion was unanimously carried.

5. **Herb Festival Sponsor Request:** The "Herb Bunch", a nonprofit club affiliated with the Clemson Extension Service, is organizing its third annual "It's All About Herbs Festival". The festival will be held Saturday, April 5, 2014 on the grounds of the Lexington County Museum. Contributions will provide funds, not only for the festival organization itself, but also for a scholarship to a Lexington County student for study in the agricultural or horticultural field. The levels of contributions and advertisements for the Town are as follows: Friend: \$30.00 or more; Silver Level: \$150.00; Gold Level: \$250.00; Platinum Level: \$350.00 or more. In 2013 Council contributed \$150.00 to the "It's All About Herbs". (Copy of request letter attached.)

A motion was made by Councilmember Shevchik and seconded by Councilmember Stambolitis to approve a \$150 contribution to "It's All About Herbs". The motion was unanimously carried.

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6. **Appointments to Boards and Commissions:** Boards and Commissions appointments were deferred at the December 2013 and January 2014 meetings. Council's approval was requested for the following appointments:

Constance Flemming	Accommodations Tax Committee
Gayle Tallon Brazell	Advisory Committee
Gregory L. Force	Vision Plan Action Committee
Cindy MacLean	Historic Preservation Review Board
Ian MacLean	Board of Appearance

A second Board Member from the Accommodations Tax Committee recently resigned leaving one additional opening. The Planning Commission does not currently have a vacancy. Talent Bank applications received will be considered when vacancies occur.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Livingston and seconded by Councilmember Shevchik to approve the five appointments as stated. Councilmember Stambolitis thanked all the citizens for volunteering their time to serve on a Town Board. The motion was unanimously carried.

7. **Update of Town of Lexington Letterhead:** Council recently asked for samples of a proposed new letterhead with the Town's logo to be used for all Town of Lexington correspondence. The attached same was submitted at Council's February Work Session for consideration. Town form letters would use the same letterhead minus the names in order to save on the cost of printing. The old letterhead with the Town seal would only be used if the correspondence required an Official Seal letterhead.

A motion was made by Councilmember Maness and seconded by Councilmember Shevchik to approve the Town of Lexington letterhead as submitted. The motion was unanimously carried.

8. **Lexington Paw Park Policy:** During the February Work Session, Council asked Staff to draft a policy regarding two issues in the Lexington Paw Park. Council was asked to approve the following policy:

Aggressive Dogs: An aggressive dog is one which makes an unprovoked attack on another dog or a person while at the Lexington Paw Park. If a dog makes three unprovoked attacks on another dog or a person, the Lexington Paw Park privileges will be revoked and a pro rata share of the permit fee shall be refunded.

If a dog attacks another dog or person and causes the dog or person to require medical treatment, Lexington Paw Park privileges will be revoked and a pro rata share of the permit fee shall be refunded.

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Complaints for violation of Lexington Paw Park rules shall be initiated by the completion of a complaint form which can be obtained online at www.lexsc.com or from the office of Parks, Streets and Sanitation.

Replacement Access Cards: Lost or damaged access cards to the Lexington paw Park may be replaced by paying the current card replacement fee.

A motion was made by Councilmember Stambolitis and seconded by Councilmember Maness to approve the policy as submitted. The motion was unanimously carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilmember Maness congratulated Mayor MacDougall for a great job on the State of the Town. She announced that the Town's NLC Drug Card has been in place for several years after she brought it back from a conference. She stated that the card is for citizens with no insurance or underinsured. She had a personal family experience with the card last week for someone who did not have insurance and saved money by using the card. She added that the total number of prescriptions filled with the Town's Drug Card is 3,501 for a savings of \$46,617 and 1,627 citizens in the Town who used the card. She reminded everyone that the Town does offer this to Town citizens and she hopes everyone will take advantage of it.

Mayor Pro-Tem Livingston thanked Mayor MacDougall for mentioning the Beautification Foundation in his State of the Town Address. She stated that the Beautification Foundation raises money through the Wine Walk on Main Street, which will be on May 10th this year. She added that they are currently looking for vendors and sponsors. Mayor Pro-Tem Livingston encouraged businesses and restaurants to participate because it is a huge event which had approximately 4,000 people last year. She thanked the Lexington Young Professionals for doing a great job on the Wine Walk. She stated that citizens would soon see plantings from money raised by the Foundation. She wished to take a personal moment and wish her daughters and granddaughter Happy Birthdays in March.

Councilmember Stambolitis made the following announcements: (1) Congratulations to Mayor MacDougall for delivering his first State of the Town Address and for mentioning the many great projects going on in Lexington. Councilmember Stambolitis stated that he and the other Councilmembers looked forward to working together with the Mayor, Staff and citizens to make Lexington the best community in South Carolina. (2) Congratulations to Finance Director Kathy Roberts and the Finance Staff. Last week they received the Government Finance Officers Association Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for the 4th year in a row. (3) He thanked the Lexington County Recreation and Aging Commission for all the great things they do to help senior citizens through their work with Meals on Wheels. He added that he has worked with them and they are great. (4) At the request of Council, this year the Town will hold an

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Accommodations Tax Workshop on March 11th at 10:00 a.m. in the Town's Conference Center. Applications will be due by April 1st. If any applicants have questions, they should contact Grants Administrator Wesley Crosby at 358-1544. (5) The Town has two upcoming Special Elections. One is tomorrow, March 4th, and the second one is April 8th. Councilmember Stambolitis encouraged everyone to get out and vote so the Town would have a good turnout for the elections. (6) The 4th Annual Flashlight Easter Egg Hunt and Carnival will be April 4th from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Gibson Road Soccer Complex. Kids from 0 to 12 were encouraged to come and bring their own flashlight and basket. The Town is proud to again be a co-sponsor with the Lexington County Recreation and Aging Commission. (7) Councilmember Stambolitis wished to take a personal moment to wish his son a Happy Birthday in March.

Mayor MacDougall recognized Lexington County Council Chairman Johnny Jeffcoat and thanked him for his assistance with funding for the traffic signalization. He added that the Town could not have done it with Chair Jeffcoat's help. Mayor MacDougall also welcomed Mr. Scott Adams. He introduced several Town Council candidates, Todd Carnes, Ron Williams and Constance Flemming.

NEWS MEDIA: None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Roger Caldwell, 221 Cherokee Trail, stated that since he did not know about the First Reading on the annexation of 515 Northwood Road and did not find out about the Final Reading until Saturday evening, then he was wasting his time to be present. He hoped that Mr. Hanson would call him. He announced that he has three family birthdays in March since we're celebrating. Mr. Poole explained that the Town has a meeting with the Planning Commission and Council has a First Reading and a Final (second) Reading which were all advertised. A member of the audience wanted to know why signs were not placed on the property. Mr. Caldwell stated there was a small "site" sign. Mayor MacDougall confirmed that the small sign was not the Town's and the owner requested the annexation. Mr. Caldwell stated that the February Minutes reflected that Ms. Caughman requested the annexation, but she is deceased. Mayor MacDougall stated that the Estate of Ms. Caughman made the request. Councilmember Maness confirmed that signs are not placed on the property for annexations. Mr. Poole added that meetings are advertised in the newspaper and on Channel 2 and agendas are sent to citizens that have requested them. He stated that this is the normal process and procedure.

Ms. Constance Caractor Flemming, 604 Hendrix Street, wished to announce the voting precincts for tomorrow's election since there have been a few changes. She added that signs would be in place to direct citizens. Ms. Flemming stated that schools could not be used when they are in session. She stated that precinct locations for tomorrow's election would be:

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Saxe Gotha Presbyterian Church

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Lexington 3	American Legion
Lexington 4	American Legion
Faith and Oakwood	Faith United Methodist Church
Park Road 1	St Albans Episcopal Church
Park Road 2	Mt. Horeb United Methodist Church
Pilgrim Church	Pilgrim Lutheran Church Social Hall

Mayor MacDougall asked Events and Media Coordinator Dowden to place this information on the Town's Facebook page and Twitter page.

Ms. Patricia Wells, 228 Round Knob Road, directly across from the proposed high rise complex, asked how could Council decide to put a high density resident classification in an area that is all single family housing. Mayor MacDougall stated that it was initially sent to the Planning Commission who made a recommendation to Council for zoning. He added the Town Ordinances restrict the way the Planning Commission can zone a property. He added that Northwood Road has other commercial zoned property. Ms. Wells agreed that there is one commercial property, but Round Knob Road is single family dwellings. She added that it was troubling to her that they could come into her neighborhood and put in a three story high rise complex.

Mr. Ron Williams thanked the Municipal Clerk for her assistance to the newcomer candidates. He also talked to the Director of Voters Registration and if anyone has questions about their precinct to please call Mr. Dean Crepes.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor MacDougall thanked the Council Members and citizens for attending the Council meeting. He thanked those at home for viewing the Council meeting on Channel 2 and it will also be replayed several times during the week.

A motion was made by Councilmember Maness and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Livingston to adjourn the Council Meeting. The motion was unanimously carried.

The Regular Council meeting was adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Becky P. Hildebrand, CMC
Municipal Clerk

APPROVED:

Steve MacDougall
Mayor

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